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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 29, 2001, please amend the application as follows and enter the following remarks into the prosecution history.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Pleas cancel claims 10, 16, 24, 33-41 and 45-51.

Please amend the following claims:

1. (Amended) A method for modifying the characteristics of an acoustic wave, comprising the steps of:

providing a medium for acoustic wave propagation;

generating an acoustic wave;

propagating the acoustic wave using the medium;

illuminating the medium during the propagation of the acoustic wave; and

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